(d) The implementation of the Right to Information Act, 2005 is a statutory obligation. The States are, therefore, required to discharge this obligation through their own funds.

Sanctioned posts of IAS officers in Bihar

†1721. SHRI SHATRUGHAN SINHA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of sanctioned posts of IAS officers as per the cadre in Bihar;

(b) the number of IAS officers working at present in the State and the number of such officers gone on Central deputation;

(c) whether works of administration is being affected due to shortage of IAS officers in the State; and

(d) if so, the action being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): (a) and (b) The Total Authorised Strength of IAS cadre of Bihar is 264 out of which there are 251 officers in position as on 1st August, 2006. Out of these, 209 officers are currently working in the State and 42 are on Central Deputation against Central Deputation Reserve of 57. There is, therefore, no shortage of officers working with the State.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

Per capita income of country

†1722. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:
SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that per capita income in the country has been estimated at Rs. 23,241 annually during the year 2004-05;

(b) if not, the actual per capita income;

(c) whether it is also a fact that in various States of the country the per capita income has been estimated to be less than the said amount; and

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.